Resolution VIII: Resolved that an Oral History Record Office be established as a part of the National Archives whose purpose should be to record on tape and then transcribe the recollections of men who have played an important part in recent history as well as the reactions of those who have seen history made. The different State Archives should also take up this urgent work.

National Archives of India: The resolution is under consideration of the Government of India.

Kerala: Every effort will be made to implement the directions contained in the resolution subject to the limitations of the Department of Archives. The first step in this direction has been taken for the purchase of a good quality of tape recorder.

Sikkim: As the State Archives has been recently set up and is being organized, the resolution is under consideration of the Government.

West Bengal: The Archives functions mainly as custodian of Government records and at present there is no scheme to extend its activities. The proposed work may be taken up by other research institutions/universities of the States and copies of the tape transcription of the recollections thus recorded may be preserved in the State Archives.

Jammu and Kashmir: The resolution is under process.

Rajasthan: The question of establishing an Oral History Record Office during the current financial year is under consideration. In this connection, about 150 freedom fighters have been contacted and efforts to purchase Tape Recorder etc. are being made.

Assam: It has been noted for future guidance.

Gujarat: The Government is exploring the possibility of setting up of an Oral History Record Office.

Resolution IX: While congratulating the Union Minister for Education and Social Welfare, for implementing several long awaited reforms, such as the promulgation of the Archival Policy Resolution and elevation of the National Archives of India as an Attached Office of the Ministry, the Commission reiterates the urgency of constructing the proposed Annexe to the National Archives of India as quickly as possible, as without it no significant improvement in the preservation and utilisation of Archives is now possible.

National Archives of India: The design was approved and Government's sanction was also issued in October 1977. But the construction has not yet started. Certain difficulties encountered have now been overcome, and the work is expected to start soon.

VI. Resolutions of the 45th Session, Mysore, 1st-2nd February, 1977.

Resolution I: The Members of the Indian Historical Records Commission assembled at Mysore for the 45th Session of the Commission deeply mourn the death of Nawab Ali Yawar Jang, Dr. Dasrath Sharma, Dr. Domingo Abella, Prof. Sri Ram Sharma, Prof. Narsimha Rao and resolves that sincere condolences of the Commission be conveyed to the next of their kin.

National Archives of India: Condolences of the Commission were conveyed to the members of the bereaved families.